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Dear Ms. Hesse:

I wish to give you some comments on the Microsoft settlement.

In terms of Microsoft's compliance with the settlement, the agreement provides adequate resources, access, and authority to quickly respond to complaints about Microsoft's compliance. In addition, it creates an independent Technical Committee with the power to hire unlimited staft, on-site at Microsoft's campus and entirely at Microsoft's expense. While the agreement positions the U.S. Justice Department as the sole enforcement authority, the state Attorneys General may insist on being able to escalate complaints to the Court. Therefore, for those who doubt Microsoft would comply with the settlement agreement, they need only look at the unprecedented enforcement mechanism.

It is a shame, however, that rather than competing in the marketplace, Microsoff's rivals felt compelled to use their lawyers and lobbyists to petition the government to intervene and regulate the high-tech industry.

Thank you for the opportunity to present my views.

Sincerely.